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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 22 August 1966

DD/I noted that this week's report from Task Force [] 25X1
is negative. He stated that the coastal defense missiles mentioned
in last week's report turned out to be artillery positions.

DD/I reported that a recent Intelligence Memorandum by ORR
on the purchase of [] by the North Vietnamese
from [] evoked interest and action on the part of the State Depart-
ment. [] were encouraged not to make the sale; as a
result the North Vietnamese are now seeking [] from [] 25X1
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Lehman reported on the current high-level tension between the
Israelis and the Syrians, commenting that the situation might grow
worse.

[] noted that this week's USIB agenda would include
the NIE on Soviet R&D and that a good deal of discussion is likely to
occur at the Board meeting. The Director indicated that if the esti-
mate proves to be too troublesome, he would be inclined to reserve
his position on disseminating it and to discuss the matter with Secretary
McNamara. 25X1

[] reported that a post mortem probably would be pro-
duced on the warning estimate which passed USIB last week. 25X1

DD/S noted the compromise of three cables from [] 25X1
over the weekend and stated that this is being investigated.

[] noted that the White House is concerned over the forth-
coming elections in South Vietnam and desires to be kept fully abreast
of Viet Cong attempts to sabotage them. 25X1

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[redacted] reminded the Director that he is to have breakfast with Senator Harris tomorrow. The Director noted that he still intends to contact Senator Russell as soon as convenient.

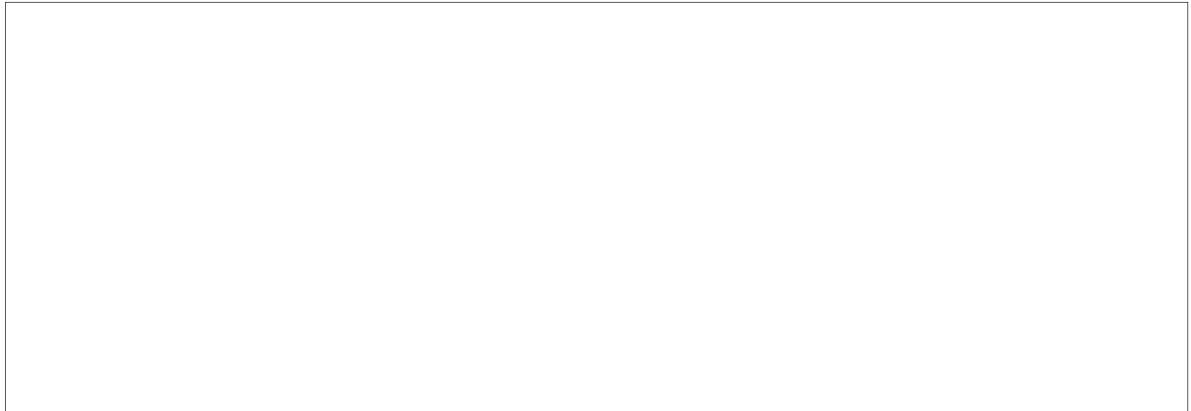
Bross noted that the Navy plans to establish a Program Evaluation Staff and would like to have an Agency man assigned to the staff.

DD/S&T reported that the recently-acquired [redacted] missile has been analyzed by OEL and found to be almost a carbon copy of the U. S. [redacted]

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The Director stated that he and the DD/I have been discussing Communist Bloc goals in the Vietnamese conflict and that a paper assessing the Bloc's motives would be produced today.

The Director requested that all senior personnel take care to inform the Watch Office of their whereabouts during the remainder of the summer so as to avoid difficulties in contacting such personnel, when necessary, during off-duty hours.

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